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9 March 1955

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Chief

Subject: Weekend Operations of the [redacted] 25X1A7B

25X1 Dear [redacted]

This will acknowledge your letter of 4 March 1955 concerning the absence of coverage of the [redacted] proceedings for the weekend of 26-27 February. 25X1A6A

I do not wish to belabor this particular incident since it is over and done with. However, we should have liked to receive scrutiny of weekend [redacted] press reaction to voting 25X1A6A and to the coalition rift. Further, we could have used coverage of the regular radio commentaries on Saturday and Sunday and coverage of such controversial radio commentators 25X1A6A as [redacted] Normally [redacted] is enough but on such weekends 25X1A6A as the one in question we should have special coverage. [redacted] 25X1A6A 25X1A6A gave us only the news from [redacted] while roundup of official 25X1A6A reaction was missed, a thing [redacted] would have known to send. FOIAB3B1 It seems extremely dangerous for [redacted] to assume that no surprising developments will take place. Your letter indicates that since Thursday and Friday followed closely predicted lines that this would carry over into Saturday and Sunday. If we were to follow this line of reasoning to its logical conclusion we could very possibly rationalize a discontinuance of all normal monitoring and simply pick it up when in our view the situation in any given area became critical. Furthermore, I feel that you have completely discounted the requirement for negative information. Had there been no coalition rift, we would like to have known from minute to minute the fact that the coalition was holding firm.

FOIAB3B1 [redacted] are given a good bit of autonomy in adjusting schedules, coverage and other activities to meet current developments. I think that you would not like it to be otherwise. On the other hand, we must call attention to what we view as lapses in judgement of situations and, of course, we must require an [illegible]mes. 25X1

Sincerely,

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